

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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FREQUENCY OF BHUBANESWAR-NEW DELHI RAJDHANI EXPRESS

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Railways have any proposal to increase the frequency of Bhubaneswar-New Delhi Rajdhani Express from four days to daily;
- (b) If so, whether the said proposal has been pending since long;
- (c) If so, the reasons for the delay; and
- (d) The measures taken by the Railways for implementation of the said proposal?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (d): No, Sir. At present, Delhi and Bhubaneswar are connected by two pairs of Rajdhani services viz. 2421/2422 New Delhi-Bhubaneswar Rajdhani Express via Adra (bi-weekly) and 2443/2444 New Delhi- Bhubaneswar Rajdhani Express via Tata Nagar (bi-weekly). These two pairs of Rajdhani expresses are satisfactorily catering to Rajdhani passengers between these two stations. The present level of occupation of these Rajdhani trains does not justify increase in frequency of Rajdhani services between these two cities.